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## 04-160 Department of Agriculture and Forestry

## **Agency Description**

The mission of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry is to administer the laws, rules and regulations of the state regarding the growing, harvesting, processing, storing and sale of forest, crop and livestock commodities.

These laws, rules and regulations are to ensure that foods are prepared in sanitary processing facilities and are safe to eat, that the state's food manufacturing sector receives the full benefit of the agency's marketing expertise, that the state's soil and water resources are protected to ensure the optimum growth and yield of crops and forests, that the state's forests are protected from harmful diseases and fires, and that Louisiana livestock receives the best in veterinary care.

The department also works with other state, regional, national and international sectors of business and government in fulfillment of its goal to provide general oversight services and administrative assistance in the conduct of the affairs of rural Louisiana.

- 1. Foster efficiency by maintain effectiveness and low administrative costs by ensuring the success of all other departmental programs.
- 2. Create and sustain markets and affect jobs through its development of value-added food, agriculture and forestry products industries by way of financial assistance and counsel.
- 3. Assure that feed, fertilizer, horticultural products, pesticides and seeds meet quality standards.
- 4. Maintain a safe and healthy food supply for the people of Louisiana, while simultaneously protecting and safeguarding the producers of these products.
- 5. Provide regulatory services to ensure consumer protection for Louisiana producers and consumers.
- 6. Ensure the sustained high level of production of wood fiber while enhancing the recreational, wildlife habitat, watershed protection, and air quality values of forest lands.
- 7. Bring to the people of Louisiana the best technical assistance possible in order to protect and enhance the state's soil and water resources. Continually evaluate policy, procedure and programs to ensure maintenance and development of best possible management practices.

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## AGENCY BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 2000-2001	ACT 12 2001-2002	EXISTING 2001-2002	CONTINUATION 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:	2000-2001	2001-2002	2001-2002	2002-2003	2002-2003	LAISTING
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct) STATE GENERAL FUND BY:	\$32,490,119	\$31,836,906	\$31,836,906	\$33,014,691	\$30,111,154	(\$1,725,752)
Interagency Transfers	566,192	464,444	464,444	464,754	774,664	310,220
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	9,893,206	11,275,528	11,275,528	10,904,170	11,866,795	591,267
Statutory Dedications	37,843,146	55,265,141	55,265,141	55,855,594	53,403,168	(1,861,973)
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	6,346,973	6,900,176	8,101,344	8,111,656	8,012,271	(89,073)
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$87,139,636	\$105,742,195	\$106,943,363	\$108,350,865	\$104,168,052	(\$2,775,311)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Management and Finance	13,811,334	14,832,762	15,073,930	16,020,929	15,457,537	383,607
Marketing	2,341,542	2,379,165	3,339,165	3,182,854	3,085,058	(254,107)
Agricultural and Environmental Sciences	35,668,833	51,799,387	51,799,387	51,947,889	49,458,526	(2,340,861)
Animal Health Services	9,136,505	9,139,220	9,139,220	9,308,135	9,169,634	30,414
Agro-Consumer Services	4,022,430	3,787,141	3,787,141	3,870,852	3,667,950	(119,191)
Forestry	17,138,714	16,673,485	16,673,485	16,895,471	15,984,012	(689,473)
Soil and Water Conservation	2,424,439	2,466,544	2,466,544	2,460,244	2,680,844	214,300
Auxiliary Account	2,595,839	4,664,491	4,664,491	4,664,491	4,664,491	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$87,139,636	\$105,742,195	\$106,943,363	\$108,350,865	\$104,168,052	(\$2,775,311)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	740	773	773	773	743	(30)
Unclassified	48	51	51	51	51	0
TOTAL	788	824	824	824	794	(30)